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MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2004 AT 2:00 PM

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER
111 NW FIRST STREET

18th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 2

AGENDA

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Meeting of May 10, 2004

III. MPO COMMITTEES UPDATE

- A. CITIZEN TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CTAC)
- B. BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC)
- C. TRANSPORTATION AESTHETIC REVIEW COMMITTEE (TARC)
 - 1. TRANSPORTATION AESTHETICS REVIEW BOARD ACTIVITIES REPORT
- D. FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FTAC)

IV. CTAC UPDATE

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. **FY 2005-2009 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**
RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE FY 2005-2009 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (*MDT*)
- B. **COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS PROJECT**
RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY TO CONDUCT THE COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS PROJECT (*MPO SECRETARIAT*)
- C. **UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM THIRD QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY 2004 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) THIRD QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT FOR SUBMISSION TO FUNDING AGENCIES (*MPO SECRETARIAT*)

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. PONCE DE LEON BOULEVARD STUDY
- B. SOUTH RIVER DRIVE CORRIDOR STUDY
- C. PRESENTATION ON "EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION DECISION MAKING (ETDM)"
- D. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING STUDY FOR THE 79TH STREET CORRIDOR NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COUNCIL (TPC)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
FOR THE MIAMI URBANIZED AREA**

**MEETING OF MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2004
2:00 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 18-3**

SUMMARY MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by Mr. Jose-Luis Mesa, TPC Chairperson. The following members were present at the beginning of the meeting:

1. Vivian Villaamil, Dade County Public Schools
2. Gary Donn, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
3. Javier Rodriguez, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
4. Doug Yoder, Department of Environmental Resource Management (DERM)
5. Mary Conway, City of Miami
6. Jorge Hernandez, City of Hialeah
7. Servando Parapar, Miami Dade Expressway Authority (MDX)
8. Johnathan Roberson, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA)
9. Esther Calas Miami-Dade Public Works Department
10. Bob Owen, Seaport
11. Bruce Offord, Florida Department of Environmental Protection
12. Gary Wohlforth, Dade League of Cities
13. George Navarrete, Miami Dade Transit
14. Irma San Roman, TPC Secretariat (Non-Voting)

The sign-in sheets listing staff and other visitors present at the meeting are available on file at the MPO Secretariat. A recorded tape of the meeting is also available at the MPO Secretariat.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Mesa asked if there were any additions, deletions or modifications to the agenda. Mrs. Zainab Salim stated that Item. III.C.1 Transportation Aesthetics Review Board activities report was withdrawn at the sponsoring agency request.

Mr. Navarrete moved for approval of the agenda. Mr. Donn seconded the motion. The agenda was approved unanimously.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Navarrete moved for the approval of the minutes of June 14, 2004 meeting. Mr. Hernandez seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. CTAC UPDATE

Mr. Hatcher provided the Council with a brief update on the CTAC activities. He informed the Council that CTAC hosted the Sunshine Law/Ethics workshop on May 19th 2004 at 5:30 PM. He also informed the Council that CTAC will assist in Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) public involvement workshops that will be held throughout the county. He then stated that the full CTAC meetings will be held in the Commission Chambers and aired on Miami Dade TV providing a better means to keeping the public involved and informed. He concluded by stating the resolutions recently passed by CTAC.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. FY 2005-2009 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE FY 2005-2009 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (MDT)

Mr. Mario Garcia, MDT, provided the Council with a brief overview of the proposed Transit Development Program update for the fiscal year 2005-2009. He informed the Council that the document contain transit activities as of December 31, 2003. He further stated that due to several changes that occurred since the cut off date for the document, MDT anticipates returning to the Council with several amendments to the TDP.

Mr. Navarrete moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Parapar seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

B. COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS PROJECT

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY TO CONDUCT THE COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS PROJECT (MPO SECRETARIAT)

Mrs. Elizabeth Rockwell, MPO Project Manager, informed the Council that the purpose of the proposed project is to develop a public involvement tool that would assist in developing strategies to reach out to the communities potentially impacted by future projects.

Mr. Yoder asked who would update the materials in the software. Mrs. Rockwell responded that the MPO would contract with FIU's GIS department and the Metropolitan Center to maintain an updated system.

Mr. Navarrete requested clarity on how the project's budget was determined. Mrs. Jill Struby, FIU, responded that FIU uses a formula that includes the 10% FIU overhead cost. She further stated that the number of necessary staff and the expected amount of time that staff would need to dedicate to the project are also included in the formula.

Mr. Donn moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Navarrete seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

C. UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM THIRD QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

RESOLUTIONS APPROVING THE FY 2004 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP) THIRD QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT FOR SUBMISSION TO THE FUNDING AGENCIES (MPO SECRETARIAT)

Mr. Parapar requested that the UPWP quarterly progress report is amended to correct the status of several listed projects before submission to the funding agencies.

Mr. Navarrete moved for approval of the resolution. Mr. Parapar seconded the motion. The resolution was approved unanimously.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. PONCE DE LEON BOULEVARD STUDY

Mrs. San Roman informed the Council that the Ponce De Leon Boulevard Study was a part of the Municipal Grant Program. She concluded by introducing Mrs. Julia Abrahn and Mr. Alberto Delgado from the City of Coral Gables who provided the Council with a brief overview of the study.

Mr. Delgado informed the Council that the purpose of the study was to focus on the feasibility of constructing a raised landscaped median on Ponce de Leon Boulevard between Alcazar Avenue and SW 8th Street. He concluded by stating that the City of Coral Gables is currently proceeding with phase one of the implementation of the project. He further concluded by stating that this phase will cost \$1.2 million of the expected \$2 million for the total construction cost of the project. *(A copy of the final draft of the study is available at the MPO Secretariat).*

Ms. Calas stated that the City of Coral Gables' Master Plan needs to be submitted to the PWD for approval before the JPA could be signed.

B. SOUTH RIVER DRIVE CORRIDOR STUDY

Mr. Melvin Woolfe, Town of Medley, provided the Council with a brief presentation on the South River Drive Corridor Study. *(A copy of this study is available at the MPO Secretariat)*. Mr. Woolfe thanked the MPO for funding the subject study through the Municipal Grant Program. He informed the Council that the Town of Medley would like to implement the study's recommendations in four phases. He concluded the presentation by requesting funding assistance from the MPO.

Mr. Donn stated that FDOT had investigated part of the discussed area during its Okeechobee study. He further stated that there is an opportunity for some type of financial assistance. He concluded by stating that FDOT would need to meet with the Town of Medley to discuss further.

Mr. Mesa requested that staff forward Mr. Woolfe's request to the Long Range Transportation Plan Steering Committee for further discussion.

Mr. Owen asked if any of the right-of-way acquisition for this project would include residential properties. Mr. Woolfe responded that the right-of-way acquisition would only include commercial property.

C. PRESENTATION ON "EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION DECISION MAKING (ETDM)"

Mr. Rodriguez introduced Ms. Majorie Bixhy and Mr. Julio Boucle from URS consultants who provided the Council with a brief PowerPoint presentation on the Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM). *(A copy of this PowerPoint presentation is available at the MPO Secretariat)*.

D. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING STUDY FOR THE 79TH STREET CORRIDOR NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE

Mrs. Susan Schreiber, MPO, introduced Mr. Henry Crespo, Executive Director of the 79th Street initiative and Mr. Trent Vaughn from the Zyscovich, Inc who provided the Council with a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the 79th Street Corridor Neighborhood Initiative. *(A copy of this study is available at the MPO Secretariat)*.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE